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1. NEW INFORMATION INDICATES THAT 25,000 TON PL 480, TITLE I PROGRAM FOR FY 75 IS FEASIBLE IF WASHINGTON APPROVES PROPOSAL OUTLINED BELOW FOR IMMEDIATE PURCHASE UP TO 10,000 TONS WHEAT AGAINST POSSIBLE SUBSEQUENT PL 480 PROGRAM. WE RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF GOH REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE PURCHASE 10,000 TONS WHEAT AND APPROVAL OF 25,000 TON WHEAT PROGRAM FOR FY 75.

2. GOH NOW FINDS THAT ORDER MUST BE PLACED WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS FOR DELIVERY 9,000 - 10,000 TONS OF US WHEAT ON/ABOUT MAY 15 TO MAINTAIN NECESSARY PIPELINE OF WHEAT IMPORTS. IN VIEW ITS DIFFICULT FINANCIAL POSITION, GOH REQUESTS THAT THIS US WHEAT BE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE FOR FINANCING UNDER ANY EVENTUAL FY 1975 PL 480, TITLE I PROGRAM.

3. IN ORDER ASSURE CONTINUITY IN SHIPMENTS, GOH PLANS UTILIZE SERVICES ITS TRADITIONAL PURCHASING AGENCY WHICH ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR OPERATION FLOUR MILL: MAPLE LEAF MILLS LIMITED, MR. P.W.

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4. WE ASSUME THAT MAPLE LEAF MILLS WOULD NEED TO FOLLOW
MINIMUM BASIC TITLE I PROCEDURES IN ORDERING US WHEAT TO PERMIT
SUBSEQUENT FINANCING OR REIMBURSEMENT UNDER TITLE I PROGRAM.
ADVISE NAME AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF RESPONSIBLE USG OFFICIAL
WHO COULD PROVIDE MAPLE LEAF MILLS WITH SUMMARY OF APPROVED
PROCEDURES FOR ORDERING AND SHIPMENT OF WHEAT.

5. GOH UNDERSTANDS THAT ANY USG APPROVAL OF CONTINGENT TITLE
I FINANCING OF MAY SHIPMENT DOES NOT INVOLVE USG COMMITMENT TO
HAVE PL 480, TITLE I PROGRAM IN FY 1975.

6. ABOVE ORDER FOR 9,000 - 10,000 TONS FOR MAY DELIVERIES
IS IN ADDITION TO 15,000 TON REQUIREMENT FOR JUNE DELIVERY MENTIONED
IN REF.
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